USE OF FUNDS

§ 300.620 Use of funds for State administration.

- (a) For the purpose of administering Part B of the Act, including section 619 of the Act (including the coordination of activities under Part B of the Act with, and providing technical assistance to, other programs that provide services to children with disabilities)—
- (1) Each State may use not more than twenty percent of the maximum amount it may retain under §300.602(a) for any fiscal year or \$500,000 (adjusted by the cumulative rate of inflation since fiscal year 1998, as measured by the percentage increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index For All Urban Consumers, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Department of Labor), whichever is greater; and
- (2) Each outlying area may use up to five percent of the amount it receives under this section for any fiscal year or \$35,000, whichever is greater.
- (b) Funds described in paragraph (a) of this section may also be used for the administration of Part C of the Act, if the SEA is the lead agency for the State under that part.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1411(f)(2))

§ 300.621 Allowable costs.

- (a) The SEA may use funds under $\S 300.620$ for—
- (1) Administration of State activities under Part B of the Act and for planning at the State level, including planning, or assisting in the planning, of programs or projects for the education of children with disabilities;
- (2) Approval, supervision, monitoring, and evaluation of the effectiveness of local programs and projects for the education of children with disabilities;
- (3) Technical assistance to LEAs with respect to the requirements of Part B of the Act:
- (4) Leadership services for the program supervision and management of special education activities for children with disabilities: and
- (5) Other State leadership activities and consultative services.

(b) The SEA shall use the remainder of its funds under §300.620 in accordance with §300.370.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1411(f)(2))

§ 300.622 Subgrants to LEAs for capacity-building and improvement.

In any fiscal year in which the percentage increase in the State's allocation under 611 of the Act exceeds the rate of inflation (as measured by the percentage increase, if any, from the preceding fiscal year in the Consumer Price Index For All Urban Consumers, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Department of Labor), each State shall reserve, from its allocation under 611 of the Act, the amount described in §300.623 to make subgrants to LEAs, unless that amount is less than \$100,000, to assist them in providing direct services and in making systemic change to improve results for children with disabilities through one or more of the following:

- (a) Direct services, including alternative programming for children who have been expelled from school, and services for children in correctional facilities, children enrolled in State-operated or State-supported schools, and children in charter schools.
- (b) Addressing needs or carrying out improvement strategies identified in the State's Improvement Plan under subpart 1 of Part D of the Act.
- (c) Adopting promising practices, materials, and technology, based on knowledge derived from education research and other sources.
- (d) Establishing, expanding, or implementing interagency agreements and arrangements between LEAs and other agencies or organizations concerning the provision of services to children with disabilities and their families.
- (e) Increasing cooperative problemsolving between parents and school personnel and promoting the use of alternative dispute resolution.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1411(f)(4)(A))

§ 300.623 Amount required for subgrants to LEAs.

For each fiscal year, the amount referred to in $\S 300.622$ is—

(a) The maximum amount the State was allowed to retain under $\S 300.602(a)$

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for the prior fiscal year, or, for fiscal year 1998, 25 percent of the State's allocation for fiscal year 1997 under section 611; multiplied by

(b) The difference between the percentage increase in the State's allocation under this section and the rate of inflation, as measured by the percentage increase, if any, from the preceding fiscal year in the Consumer Price Index For All Urban Consumers, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Department of Labor.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1411(f)(4)(B))

§ 300.624 State discretion in awarding subgrants.

The State may establish priorities in awarding subgrants under §300.622 to LEAs competitively or on a targeted basis.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1411(f)(4)(A))

STATE ADVISORY PANEL

§ 300.650 Establishment of advisory panels.

- (a) Each State shall establish and maintain, in accordance with §§ 300.650-300.653, a State advisory panel on the education of children with disabilities.
- (b) The advisory panel must be appointed by the Governor or any other official authorized under State law to make those appointments.
- (c) If a State has an existing advisory panel that can perform the functions in §300.652, the State may modify the existing panel so that it fulfills all of the requirements of §§300.650–300.653, instead of establishing a new advisory panel.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(21)(A))

§ 300.651 Membership.

- (a) General. The membership of the State advisory panel must consist of members appointed by the Governor, or any other official authorized under State law to make these appointments, that is representative of the State population and that is composed of individuals involved in, or concerned with the education of children with disabilities, including—
- (1) Parents of children with disabilities;
 - (2) Individuals with disabilities;

- (3) Teachers;
- (4) Representatives of institutions of higher education that prepare special education and related services personnel:
- (5) State and local education officials:
- (6) Administrators of programs for children with disabilities;
- (7) Representatives of other State agencies involved in the financing or delivery of related services to children with disabilities;
- (8) Representatives of private schools and public charter schools;
- (9) At least one representative of a vocational, community, or business organization concerned with the provision of transition services to children with disabilities; and
- (10) Representatives from the State juvenile and adult corrections agencies
- (b) *Special rule.* A majority of the members of the panel must be individuals with disabilities or parents of children with disabilities.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1412(a)(21)(B) and (C))

$\S 300.652$ Advisory panel functions.

- (a) General. The State advisory panel shall—
- (1) Advise the SEA of unmet needs within the State in the education of children with disabilities;
- (2) Comment publicly on any rules or regulations proposed by the State regarding the education of children with disabilities:
- (3) Advise the SEA in developing evaluations and reporting on data to the Secretary under section 618 of the Act:
- (4) Advise the SEA in developing corrective action plans to address findings identified in Federal monitoring reports under Part B of the Act; and
- (5) Advise the SEA in developing and implementing policies relating to the coordination of services for children with disabilities.
- (b) Advising on eligible students with disabilities in adult prisons. The advisory panel also shall advise on the education of eligible students with disabilities who have been convicted as adults and incarcerated in adult prisons, even if, consistent with §300.600(d), a State